

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle.—Michel Angelo.

## PUBLIC SENTIMENT AND ONE GREAT COMMERCIAL BODY

The cumulative weight of public sentiment, quietly gathering for more than a year past, is getting solidly behind the plans for a Greater Honolulu Chamber of Commerce.

These plans, the result of a notable meeting at the University Club many months ago, worked out by committees representing local commercial bodies, struck a note of practical idealism in community affairs that will not be silenced. During the summer it seemed that the plan of organization might be dropped and the commercial bodies move along each in its groove, but within the past few days there has been a quickening of interest, a revival of enthusiasm. And this quickening, this revival, is not forced, not artificial; it is the evidence of a steadily-growing public sentiment, in and out of the two leading commercial bodies.

The Chamber of Commerce is in open sympathy with the plan for amalgamation. Without taking a vote, its members have publicly and privately expressed themselves as favoring the idea, and the body is now waiting action by the Merchants' Association. The association has named a special committee; upon the report of this committee—and what the association does with the report—depends the success or failure of the Greater Chamber.

No more inspiring cause than that of helping weld together a great community organization could be offered to the hand of the new president of the chamber, ex-Gov. Carter. No more practical work for his city could be given him. The Star-Bulletin understands that President Carter is not opposed to the plan and that, if the members of the Chamber of Commerce manifest a wish to see the new organization put through, they may rely upon every effort and energy of his to aid in putting it through.

In the Merchants' Association there are a number of active and forceful men who are now working to get the sentiment of the association behind amalgamation.

The situation has resolved itself into this: If the Merchants' Association will join in the plans, the Greater Chamber is assured.

The Star-Bulletin has repeatedly said that the amalgamation scheme should be adopted, perhaps with some slight modification. A great commercial body, representative of all interests, laboring in the common good, will be a mighty force for progress in Honolulu. Life, red-blooded life, enthusiasm, unity of purpose, backed by a large and powerful membership, will give one big commercial body an irresistible drive.

Public sentiment is with such a plan because public confidence will be freely given such a body. Honolulu has too many conflicting organizations, societies, bureaus. Long ago the plans for a merger showed what effective work along community lines could be done through properly-organized committees.

This is a day when prejudice is being shaken off, when formality is being put aside. Direct action is the keynote of the times,—that and united action.

## AS TO A MUNICIPAL MARKET

Before proceeding far with the project of a municipal market the city fathers ought to be sure that they are safe as well as right.

There is the example of the old public market on Alakea street for a caution. This was built by the central government under the monarchy, superseding the ancient fishmarket on Queen street, which in its time—particularly on Saturday afternoons and during election campaigns—was one of the most interesting institutions of the city, having a worldwide fame. For a time the new market flourished, its airy spaces fully taken up with the stalls of Oriental, Hawaiian and white purveyors of meat, fish and vegetables. The successive street railways had lines leading to it.

Its popularity, however, waned in a few years, one of the chief causes being that it was off the direct line to the growing Palama and Kalihi suburbs. Therefore, when enterprising Chinese dealers established the beginning of the large markets now in existence on King street, the stalls of the public market became speedily deserted, the licensees one after another declining to take out new privileges. It was in vain that the chief clerk of the public works, who was ex-officio clerk of the market, offered various concessions to induce the dealers to take out new

licenses. The market simply went dead and its expensive building became a white elephant on the hands of the government, latterly having been adapted to the purposes of the territorial immigrant station with its marketing division attached.

In view of the history of the public market, it would seem that the only safe foundation for another experiment of the kind would be absolute government ownership of all markets for the sale of meat and produce. No doubt this would require special legislation, perhaps even an amendment to the Organic Act. It is a foregone conclusion that, without such a degree of socialism being incorporated in the fundamental law, the courts will sustain private ownership and operation of markets, subject only to compliance with police and sanitary restrictions. Hence a public market in the existing circumstances would be liable to remain vacant. The board of health found it could not shut laundries out of specified sections, so long as they were constructed and conducted in sanitary manner.

## NOT A FAO

A condition long ago recognized by most newspapers has now been brought to the attention of the periodical and magazine world by the aggressive new editor of Harper's Weekly, Norman Hapgood. Hapgood, who made Collier's Weekly the great national organ of public opinion in its class, has taken hold of the staid Harper's with a grip that has startled the readers of that veteran publication. In an opening announcement, Hapgood says:

"The new position of women in the world means that the intellectual and moral standards of civilization are to be changed. They are no longer to be the expression of one sex slightly influenced by the other. They are to be the composite ideas of the two, not the two acting separately, but of the two as each will be modified by the other as they come into a fuller, fuller and more equal communication."

"The changing view of what needs to be done in industry already is partly due to women, and will be much more due to them as the moral and human side of industry passes more and more into their hands."

Newspapers years ago recognized that the "feminist movement" is not a fad, not a passing phase, but the signs that a great truth in mankind had come to mature stature. Woman has taken her place in the world not by tolerance but by right of strength and intelligence. Equal suffrage is not asked as a privilege but as a right. "One standard" means not only one moral standard but one social standard, one political standard, one industrial standard.

## THE PEDESTRIAN'S RIGHT

The cheerful assumption on the part of a few autoists that they have the right-of-way on the streets doesn't go in one large city, at least. That city is Chicago, where recently a murderous auto-driver was sent to prison for fourteen years.

Mayor Harrison of Chicago has put the force of his strong and intelligent administration behind the city authorities to check reckless driving. Chauffeurs raised the point that pedestrians should use the streets, except at crossings, at their own risk. Here is the way Mayor Harrison answered that point:

"Chauffeurs think all they have to do is to sound their horns, and pedestrians can jump out of the way. Let them drive with care and remember that the pedestrian's right is supreme."

The pedestrian's right is supreme in Honolulu as well as in Chicago. City ordinances preventing pedestrians from crossing streets except at the regular intersections are not passed to emphasize the precedence of auto and other wheel-traffic, but to protect the pedestrian.

For charter members in the new auto association we suggest well-known speeders who are always able to convince the judge that they really weren't violating the law.

Governor Frear's report to the secretary of the interior will contain the number of autos in the territory. He might also add the number of auto accidents.

Were it not so serious the Mexican situation would look like that happy game, "Tag, you're it!"

Adrianople as a tourist resort has fallen off somewhat during the summer.

A Greater Chamber of Commerce means a Greater Honolulu.

Huerta hasn't got the cards to back a bluff, and he knows it.

## Old Doc's Talk

### CITIZENSHIP. I.

My son, the worthiest office of an American is good citizenship. It's IT, my boy: the whole cheese.

And I don't know whether I'm glad or sorry to say it, but it is true, that a great many of the best citizens we have are men and women who were born away from America in a country far removed from the inspirations and advantages common to every native-born American. These loyal, patriotic citizens have made a study of our country and its institutions, my son. They understand the Constitution; they revere and love our forefathers whom we sniff at; they have sentiment and are not afraid to express it (not being imbued with "Harvard indifference"), and when the National Anthem is sung they know the words and can sing it with fire and enthusiasm, though with an unfamiliar accent.

There are hordes of un-American people coming from foreign shores, my lad, men who can never assimilate the spirit of true citizenship. They are helping to make our cities a shame and disgrace, and doing other mischief, too. But there are thousands of foreign-born who have made and are making the best citizens we have. They do not come here for a job. They do not forswear allegiance to a foreign potentate in order to get a post-mastership or a clerkship. They are citizens because they are part of the Great Republic which they respect and love, and in which they believe. Like Lafayette, Kosuth and Sobieski, my son, they are filled with the feeling

and impulse of our Revolutionary Sires; they do not only believe, they act; and these with others born of the soil, are making America what it is and what it will become. What locality and environment may do for the Scotch character is seen in many of the states of the east and south where the so-called Scotch-Irish spirit predominates. The intense Irish spirit showed itself in early days; its loyalty and generous action are apparent everywhere throughout the land; poetry, song, sentiment, as necessary as hard cash.

The solid German stands for American citizenship; he can and will fight for his principles. No second place for him in American history. The English foundation of New England stands, with some insignificant gargoyles and glazer-bread trimmings knocked off the superstructure by war and time. It is true, yet still practically Anglo-Saxon. What better American communities than the Scandinavian settlements of the northwestern states; the backbone of the country where they are. Their children, sons and daughters, bright, blue-eyed, educated, citizens of the Republic. No sneering at Americans by them, my son. No, sir-ee! So have many English, French and other foreign-born peoples come to add to our good citizenship.

*Old Doc*

## Personal Mention

CLAUDIUS MCBRIDE, the Kona attorney, was an incoming passenger in the Mauna Kea this morning.

CLARENCE WATERMAN is back from a business trip to Hawaii. He returned in the Mauna Kea this morning.

JUDGE WILLIAM YOUNG, of Los Angeles, accompanied by Mrs. Young, was a passenger in the Sierra this morning.

THEO. F. LANSING departed for the mainland on a business trip today as a passenger in the Oceanic liner Sierra.

A. D. LARNACH, the attorney, was numbered among the passengers to arrive from Hawaii in the Mauna Kea this morning.

L. VON TEMPSKY, of Pioneer Plantation, is making a flying business trip to the capital. He was a passenger in the Mauna Kea.

J. W. CALDWELL, superintendent of public works, having completed a tour of Hawaii, returned to the city in the Mauna Kea this morning.

DANIEL TWEEDIE, who has for a year past represented a string of publications in the islands, sailed for the coast today in the Sierra.

JOHN HUGHES, superintendent of the Hawaiian building for the Panama-Pacific exposition of 1915, was a passenger in the Sierra this morning.

GEORGE W. BECK, of Los Angeles, who has spent some time in Honolulu combining business with pleasure, was a passenger in the Sierra today.

MRS. WICKHAM HAVENS, prominent society matron in the trans-bay cities, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Sallie, returned to the mainland today.

GEORGE E. CASSIDY, a graduate of McKinley High school, sailed for the mainland today en route to Cornell university, where he will take an engineering course.

B. F. BRADLEY, a locomotive engineer at Waihole, who has been very ill with ptomaine poisoning, is reported out of danger now, and will report for work next week.

MRS. S. MAHELONA of this city and Miss Maria Ellis of Lihue, Kauai, are arriving passengers by the Mauna Kea this morning, after spending two weeks at Lahaina, Maui.

## HALSEY CENTER OF ANOTHER WAR OF PUBLICITY

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the legal points involved. The case was put up to the U. S. attorney and he decided that the man would have to get a divorce. The woman was released on parole and the divorce proceedings, I understand, are now going on. The case went before a special board of inquiry and the law and the investigation alike uphold the course taken."

Part of Campaign. Other immigration officials say that the attack is part of the campaign against Inspector Halsey on the part of the Japanese press.

Referring to the penal code of 1910 and section 3146 of the revised laws of the territory of Hawaii, the Hochi holds that, as Komoda's wife has been away from him for more than eleven years without revealing her identity, he is legally divorced from her, and that he should have the right to be married to his new choice and bring her into the territory.

Section 3146 of the revised laws of the territory of Hawaii says: "A person whose husband or wife has been continually remaining beyond the sea or, having voluntarily withdrawn himself or herself, has remained absent for the space of four years and not been known by him or her to be living, shall not be considered a married person within the meaning of this chapter; neither shall a person who has been legally divorced from the bond of matrimony be subject hereto."

Section 313 of the penal code of 1910 says: "Every person who has a husband or wife living, who marries another, whether married or single, and any man who simultaneously, or on the same day, marries more than one woman, is guilty of polygamy, and shall be fined not more than \$500 and imprisoned not more than five years. But this section shall not extend to any person by reason of any former marriage whose husband or wife by such marriage has been absent for five successive years, nor to any person of any former marriage which shall have been dissolved by a valid decree of a competent court, nor any person by reason of any former marriage which shall have been pronounced void by a valid decree of a competent court."

ROY D. JOHNSON, passenger agent for the Santa Fe railroad, with offices in San Francisco, returned to the mainland this morning on the Sierra after a successful business trip to the islands.

## Desirable Residence For Sale

On makai side of East Manoa Road; lot approximately 150x150. Lower floor of house contains parlor, dining-room, den, bedroom, lavatory, and closet adjoining bedroom, pantry, kitchen, dish closets, large back porch. Second story contains two bedrooms, bath, (linen drawers in hall), three large closets. In basement is cemented laundry, servants' room, bath and store room. With the house is included gas stove, water heater, stair carpet, curtain rods, statue on newel post and sunny electric lights.

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tent court, on the ground of nullity of the marriage contract."

The Hochi probably bases its attack on the latter part of section 313 of the penal code, by which it claims that Komoda is legally divorced. The Hochi further says that Halsey told Komoda that if he would go into court in Honolulu and secure a divorce he would allow the bride to enter the territory. This action, says the Hochi, is not at all necessary. The matter has been referred to the Japanese consul at Honolulu, and the Hochi is at present awaiting his answer.

"KU A HOOLOHE:" See what this means in the Hilo Board of Trade ad in today's Star-Bulletin—advertisement.

After a minister has preached his congregation to sleep the sermon is followed by a great religious awakening.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

CHARLIE HOPKINS: I would again like to call attention to the neglect of that triangular corner of Kaplanian park formed by the straightening of Kapahulu road. I will say that if the authorities find it inconvenient to place a statue of Fayche therson one of Diana ought to serve just as well.

—C. G. HEISER: The enthusiasm at the meeting of the commercial club last evening suggests that the big booster dinner which the club intends giving within the next month or so will be a pronounced success. Some surprise is anticipated at this booster dinner in the nature of a new proposed activity on the part of the commercial club.

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